

The Thorny Orphanage

The Trustees of the institution about to be founded in Clinton, Laurens Co., S. C., make an earnest appeal to every man woman and child in the state for aid. They wish to raise \$5,000 for the erection of a good building, on a farm near Clinton, for the purpose of providing a home for the destitute Orphans. This Orphanage professes to carry out the home relation in the rearing of the children committed to its charge. Its inmates will not only be provided with an education, but will be taught to work and will be trained for the business of life. We ask for only \$5,000, a sum which can assuredly be raised among the Christian people of this state. A mite from every one will do the work. We appeal to the liberal hearted of our people and we do not believe that we will appeal in vain.

The Orphanage is under the control of Presbyterians. Its titles are held by Messrs G. P. Copeland, R. S. Phinney and Wm. B. Bell. Its superintendent is Rev. Wm. P. Jacobs, a Presbyterian minister of this state. But though under Presbyterian control orphans will be admitted to it without respect to the faith of the parent. We appeal therefore to all for help and we feel assured that we will not appeal in vain.

Those who design to give, are assured that their gifts will not be wasted in contingent expenses. Those have already been provided for Every cent given will go for the purpose specified.

Dear friends, remember those who give to this cause are really giving to the God of the fatherless, and that the blessings of the God of the fatherless will be upon them. Inasmuch, says Jesus as ye have done it unto me.

Please enclose your gift in a large or small envelope with your name and send it to Wm. P. Bell, Clinton, S. C. He is the Treasurer of the Orphanage.

Wm P JACOBS,
SAMUEL L WEST,
JOHN J BOOZER,
Correspondent Secretaries

Greely is gone up.

"Excuse haste and bad pen," as the pig said when he broke out.

When is a mother a father? When she's a sinner.

Another name for the horse disease is Gastroenteritis.

A man recently knucked down an elephant. He was an auctioneer.

A sarcastic lady says the only thing which keeps Lent is her best silk umbrella.

A New York saloon keeper advertises for a boy to open oysters about fifteen years old.

A man out west is so bow-legged that his tail is obliged to use a circular saw in cutting out his pantaloons.

A billiard ball in a stocken is a new kind of offensive shot with which Leavenworth people carom on each other.

Did Byron refer to waspish young ladies when he wrote Our young affections run to wasps?

Why is the bridegroom worth more than the bride? Because she is given away and he is sold.

Kansas babies are smothered with rattlesnake rattles. When an infant cries, the mother hunts the prairie with a fence rail.

An Indiana poet has been sent to the Penitentiary for three years for what a Western paper calls "plagiarizing a horse."

An amateur editor in Indianapolis has made his fortune by his pen. His father died of grief after reading one of his editorials and left him \$150,000.

Indiana is excited over the birth of a pig with a countenance as much like a Christian as any other inhabitants of the town in which its parents live.

Mrs. Partington reading of the strike of the wire-drawers, remarked, "Ah, me what new tangled things won't they wear next."

The dearest spot on earth has at last been located. Those wishing to find that "spot" will find it at the store that does not advertise.

A constant dropping will wear out a rock. Keep dropping your advertisement on the public and they will soon melt under it like rock salt.

A wag in what he knows of farming gives a plan to remove widow's weeds; he says a good-looking man has only to say, "Wilt thou," and they wilt.

A bill posted on the walls of an English country village announces that a lecture will be delivered in the open air, and a collection made at the door to defray expenses.

A Londoner burned out a cat's eye and knocked her teeth down her throat. He knows of another cat he can get to operate on as soon as his four months in prison expires.

Two undertakers meeting the other day, one of them remarked on the vast increase of mortality. "Well replied the other, 'you're luckier than I, for I have not buried a living soul for more than three weeks."

A certain church fair, a set of Cooper's works was promised to the individual who should answer a set of conundrums. A dashing young fellow was pronounced the winner and received a set of wooden pails.

A stranger fell into the river at Detroit the other day. As he was being helped out some one seized him by the hair and drew him up. Where's the man who pulled my hair! yelled the victim, as he reached the dock. "Just show me the Apache who did it, and I'll mash him in a minute."

THE ORANGEBURG NEWS

GEORGE BOLIVER,
FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS MANAGER.

Official Paper of the State and of Orangeburg County.

SATURDAY, NOV. 30, 1872.

The General Assembly.

The Legislature of South Carolina met on Tuesday, November 26th, with full houses in both branches. As was generally expected the Hon. S. J. Lee, of Aiken, was elected Speaker of the House; A. J. Jones Clerk. In the Senate Hon. S. A. Swails of Williamsburg was elected President *pro tem*, and Josephus Woodruff Clerk.

Hon. S. J. Lee is well and favorably known and deserved the handsome compliment he received in the unanimous vote by which he was elected.

Senator Swails, also received the unanimous vote of the Senate, electing him President, and is thoroughly fitted for the place. Of course little more than organizing was done, but a spirit of unanimity and harmony is already evinced which promises good things in well and prompt legislation. In the Senate Hon. J. L. Jamison is Chairman of the Committee on County Officers and Officers, and also a number of other important Committees.

In the House Hon. J. Felder Meyers seconded the nomination of Speaker Lee, and has already assumed a prominent and active part in its proceedings. His speech in the Committee of the whole on affairs in the State, has marked him as a leader of the House.

We shall keep our readers informed as to the proceedings of the Assembly.

Important and grave matters come before this Session. A hard financial problem must be solved. Issues of heavy weight and interest hang upon the hour.

There is reason to hope that these will be settled for good. Bright promises cluster around the new administration. May they be realized! Let the Republican party vindicate itself; let prosperity dawn upon the commonwealth.

The Burning of Boston.

Disaster is the order of the day. The ruins of Chicago have not disappeared, when a similar calamity befalls Boston. As nearly as can be ascertained the burnt area in Boston comprises about seventy acres of ground, and this exclusively the business portion of the city. The number of buildings burnt is estimated at eight hundred. The money value of the property destroyed, it is said, will not fall short of one hundred millions of dollars. The business losses are tremendous and will be felt in every part of the United States. Insurance companies will explode by the score, and the effect upon trade, commerce and finance will be mighty and disastrous. Unlike Chicago, this fire has been a blow at business interests rather than at social life. But the Bostonians are elastic, and rebounding from their frightful shock will put the "hub" in motion again. Boston is full of resources and energy. The stocks of dry goods for 1873 had luckily not yet been received, and most of the wool was in storage outside of the circle of the fire, and very few dwellings were burnt. So that there is much to be thankful for. This great fire has given rise to much journalistic discussion concerning fire proof buildings, Mansard roofs, supplies of water, and our system of insurance, all of which have proved imperfect in passing through this severe test.

Science, amid the many improvements it has added to our comforts, conveniences, health and fields of production and usefulness, has utterly failed in furnishing either a material to prevent or a weapon to fight and subdue con-

flagrations. The flames laugh our heroic efforts and our best apparatus to scorn, as they reduce to ashes and ruin our emporia of commerce, and beautiful architecture. In the subtle arcana, of science there must be substances that will prove impregnable to this fiery destruction. The man that will prove the fact, and make it practicable will enroll his name with those of Morse, Franklin and Fulton.

One consolatory feature results from these fearful calamities. An exhibition of the noblest humanity in promptly aiding and helping the losers and sufferers, has followed both of these great fires. An electric thrill of sympathy, as prompt and rapid as the telegraphic communication of the calamity, has immediately pervaded neighboring and distant cities. Immediate and abundant relief has been afforded, and the record of the disaster has been simultaneous with the bright story of sympathy and relief. *En passant*, our neighbor the Times, seem to be behind the times in this regard again. Our friend does not seem to share the sympathy so generally lavished upon the ruined city and its unfortunate sufferers.

The rather, this cotemporary of ours, seems to repeat and reiterate, expression rather of triumph and of sated revenge, long pent and well preserved, at the event. It (the Times) seems to think that Orangeburg desired that some retaliatory misfortune should befall Boston, and that the two cities are now "at quits." It seems that the "hub," according to our neighbor, fired a cannon, when Sherman, during the late war, visited Orangeburg and Columbia, and that the memory of that shot has boomed in our friend's ears all this time. Hence the expression of satiated revenge, repeated, and "rolled like a sweet morsel under the tongue" of the Times. Now there seems to us to be a difference between the salute (if any was fired) at the victorious and unparalleled progress of an invading army and its siege and destruction of the enemies country, and the expression of triumph at the fearful loss and ruin and suffering of a city turned to ashes, in a time of peace. The difference is this: The one feeling is the natural and legitimate rejoicing of the victor in war; the other feeling is unchristian and in shocking taste.

The Injunction on Special Tax.

On November 13th, 1872, as our readers are informed, a circular letter was issued by Comptroller General Neagle, to the various County Auditors of the State directing them to levy a special tax. Since then Hon. F. L. Cardozo, Treasurer elect has sued out an injunction before Judge Melton restraining Niles G. Parker, State Treasurer and the County Treasurers from paying out any of the proceeds of the new taxes upon pay certificates or notes given by Parker, and stopping County Auditors from levying the said special tax. In the course of these legal proceedings the various County Auditors were required to show cause before Judge Melton why the order of injunction should not be made absolute. No one appearing to show cause *contra*, on the 23d instant Judge Melton granted the absolute order.

It seems that Treasurer Parker designed to collect all the money possible under the new levy of taxes and to apply it to paying illegal claims or at least claims for which no appropriation has been made by the Legislature. Treasurer Parker gives up his little scheme and retires from his lucrative office. At first he shewed fight in the Courts, and it was rumored that Judge R. B. Carpenter had been retained as his counsel, but he afterwards succumbed and the order was made absolute *non cou*.

It remains for the Legislature to cut the Gordian knot of financial difficulty and by wise and skillful legislation to see that sufficient revenue is furnished and that this revenue is legally levied and judiciously expended.

The effect of the judgment of the Court is that when the taxes are collected under the regular appropriation, they cannot be applied to cover up past deficiencies or spoliation. This is the first step of the new administration, and it is in the right direction.

The operation of the injunction upon

County Treasurers is excepted in regard to the disbursement of County taxes. All other taxes are required to be paid into the State Treasury.

Trial by Jury.

The world is passing through an important epoch in the matter of jurisprudence. France is about to inaugurate through the domain of her republic this important change in her courts. And in Spain Senor Rios has announced that the trial by jury will be established before the 1st of December.

These are remarkable events in the history of that government, in their gradual progress towards freedom. A contemporary congratulates Spain upon the prospect of a trial by jury.

Now original and local views of these events are of interest and of value. So careless as to whether we be regarded as orthodox or heretical we hesitate not to express our opinion. It is questionable indeed whether it is a matter of congratulation or not this inauguration of the system of trial by jury. And it is a matter of grave doubt whether a trial by a judge, independent of public opinion, elected for life, and whose salary is not contingent upon the decisions rendered in his courts, is not preferable, purer and less exposed to the caprice and imperfection of all human contrivances.

These countries then, thus congratulated, may be but entering upon the experiment of a system which may not prove faultless or satisfactory. Dispute the encumbers and enigmas pronounced upon this system by high authority, alas! the best of experience has proved it defective, expensive, and inadequate. Limited, and controlled as it is, at last, by the dicta of the judge, it amounts to but a mechanical and deficient plan.

Doubtless these views will bring down a cry of "False doctrine, and heresy" upon us, but the expression of our views is a bid for a disinterested by which truth in this important subject may be eliminated. Be this as it may, certainly these are defects in the system of jury trial, which the relative mind can and should remedy.

The "bulwark," the "Balladium" is imperfect, and future changes and experiments may approximate perfection, or else the system may be substituted by another.

Our New Officers.

The new Board of County Commissioners qualified and assumed charge of their office, this week. We call attention to the prudent resolutions, published in another column, which were adopted at their first meeting. Mr. E. T. R. Smoak is chairman of the Board and George Boliver Esq., was elected Clerk.

The selection of Mr. Boliver for this position is a most admirable one. By this choice and the adoption of the resolutions referred to, the new Board have given unmistakable indication of their intention to discharge their responsible functions, conscientiously and well.

A. B. Knowlton Esq., Probate Judge has entered upon the discharge of the duties of his office.

Sheriff E. I. Cain, has taken charge of his office.

And our Senator and Representatives are all at their posts, at the State Capital.

Tournament at Poke Spring.

On Friday, 22d, instant, quite a gathering of folks took place at Poke Spring, on the State road, to witness the Tournament which had been arranged and announced for that time and place.

Thirteen gallant and doughty Knights, costumed in fancy and becoming dress, entered the lists.

The Herald, Mr. John Livingston, called the Knights to engage in contest for the prizes.

The Knight of the Red Star (Mr. T. R. Tilley) carried off the first prize, a handsome saddle; the Knight of the White Plume, Mr. A. M. Rickenbaker, took the second prize, a Bridle; the Knight of Four Holes, Mr. C. S. Edwards won the third prize, a pair of Spurs, and Mr. Way, Knight of Independence received the fourth, a saddle

Blanket. The Knight of Trial (Mr. J. E. O. Betterton, carried off, the Tin Cup, with distinguished skill. This Knight is by the way as celebrated as He of De La Mancha.

The affair was pleasurable, and was concluded most happily with a Dance, in the evening at Washington Seminary.

RESOLUTIONS.

OFFICE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
ORANGEBURG COUNTY, S. C.,
November 27th, 1872.

Resolved, That all persons holding COUNTY ORDERS issued by the late Boards of County Commissioners, for Orangeburg County, do present the same to the Clerk of this Board for Registration within thirty days from this date, and that all such County Orders not Registered within the time aforesaid, and Endorsed with the approval of this Board, will be debarred payment.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Orangeburg County is forbid to pay any such County Order not Registered and Endorsed as aforesaid.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board do publish these resolutions for thirty days.

E. T. R. SMOAK,
Chairman Board County Commissioners.

Attest,
GEO. BOLIVER, Clerk Board.
nov 30

SANTA CLAUS

HAS COME!

Just received a LARGE and VARIED ASSORTMENT of TOYS, suitable for Children of any age or sex.

Also a fine lot of NICE THINGS for CHRISTMAS,

Such as SEEDLESS RAISINS, FIGS, CURRANTS, CITRON, PRUNES, PLAIN and FANCY CANDIES.

Also well selected assortment of POCKET and TABLE CUTLERY, Silver-Plated SPOONS and FORKS, and other beautiful Articles too numerous to mention.

Do not delay ere the assortment is taken away, for there is a RUSH at the

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OF

DR. OLIVEROS.

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The State of South Carolina. ORANGEBURG COUNTY, IN THE COURT OF PROBATE.

Notice is hereby given that a STATED SESSION of this Court of Probate will be held at the Court House thereof on the First Monday of December, 1872, and on the First Monday of each month thereafter. The Court is deemed open at all times for the transaction of Ordinary Business when previous notice is not required to persons interested.

AUG. B. KNOWLTON,
Judge of Probate O. C.
Orangeburg C. H., Nov. 21st, 1872.
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JUST ARRIVED

A

SPLendid LOT

OF

Mules and Horses

HORSES! HORSES! MULES!

We respectfully call the attention of the citizens of Orangeburg and Orangeburg County to the fact, that we will have a choice lot of horses from Virginia, on this market by the twentieth of December. This stock has been selected from choice stock raisers in the Old Dominion, and with an eye to the necessities of this market. They will consist of fine Saddle and Harness horses. We also call your attention to the fine lot of mules we now have on hand. We expect to keep a full supply of both horses and mules constantly on hand. If our stock don't give satisfaction, you can return them, and get your money back, with interest. Try us, that's all we want.

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Sheriff's Sales.

The State of South Carolina,
ORANGEBURG COUNTY,
IN PROBATE COURT.

By order of Hon. Thad. C. Andrews, Judge of Probate, I will sell at Orangeburg, on the 1st Monday in December next, for cash, all the personal property belonging to the late firm of Doyle, Wiles & Co., consisting in part of Buggies, Materials used in the manufacture of Carriages, Buggies and Wagons, Blacksmith Tools, &c.

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